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ZHANG et al. )  
 ) Group Art Unit: 1656  
Application No.: 10/779,638 )  
 ) Examiner: Hope A. Robinson  
Filed: February 18, 2004 )  
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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR )  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action dated November 18, 2005, due February 18, 2006, a Saturday, followed by a U.S.P.T.O holiday on February 20, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** are included in this paper at page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper at page 3.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper at page 6.

**Attachments** to this amendment include:

- A Terminal Disclaimer under 35 U.S.C. § 253.